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**Movement of [REDACTED] Merchant Ship**

## BACKGROUND

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Mago, which is situated on the North bank of the Amur River about 50 nautical miles above its mouth, for the purpose of loading lumber. This was the first trip of a non-Bloc vessel to Mago in some years. In connection with this trip, the following requirements are posed.

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## REQUIREMENTS

What traffic was encountered in the Amur River? (loaded, empty and type of cargo. Tug and barge, lighter, ocean-going vessel, ferries.)

Any details gathered regarding Nikolayevsk.

Any and all details regarding Mago, particularly:

- 1) Chief activities of town.
- 2) Population.
- 3) Wharf description - current in river - high and low tide - depth of water - protection of port area from wind, wave and current.
- 4) Transportation, land - vehicles seen in Mago - roads to and from other points - railroads if any - where to and where from and gauge - traffic seen moving, road or rail.

- 5) Storage Facilities - types of storage facilities and commodities stored - how do they get there?
- 6) River traffic - river traffic seen passing while in port.
- 7) Any evidence of railway or road on south side of Amur.

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Degree of Need: Urgent

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